Statement-II

Composition of Central Board for the Prevention and Control of Water pollution:—

(a) a full-time Chairman, being a person having special knowledge or practical experience in respect of matters relating to the use and conservation of water resources or the prevention and control of water pollution or a person having knowledge and experience in administering institutions dealing with the matters aforesaid, to be nominated by the Central Government;

(b) five officials to be nominated by the Central Government to represent that Government;

(c) such number of persons, not exceeding five, to be nominated by the Central Government, from amongst the members of the State Boards, of whom not exceeding two shall be from those referred to in clause (c) of sub-section (2) of section 4;

(d) three non-officials to be nominated by the Central Government, to represetnt the interests of agriculture, fishery or industry or trade or any other interest which, in the opinion of the Central Government, ought to be represented;

(e) two persons to represent the companies or corporations owned, controlled or managed by the Central Government, to be nominated by that Government;

"(f) a full-time member-secretary, possessing qualifications, knowledge and experience of scientific, engineering or management aspects of pollution control, to be appointed by the Central Government".

Central Board for the prevention and control of Air Pollution:

The Central Board for the Prevention and Control of Water Pollution constituted under Section 3 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974. (6 of 1974) shall, without prejudice to the exercise and performance of its powers and functions under that Act, exercise the powers and perform the functions of the Central Board for the Prevention and Control of Air Pollution under this Act.

NOTE:—The name of the organisation may be read as Central Pollution Control Board in place of Central Board for the Prevention and Control of Water Pollution.

Use of oxygen pouches to eliminate the effects of air pollution

3600. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of use of oxygen pouches in Japan to eliminate the effects of air pollution;

(b) whether it is fact that the Chief Executive Councillor, Delhi Administration, has moved the idea of using these pouches in the Capital by manufacturing them in collaboration with Japan as reported in the Times of India of the 20th February, 1989; and

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto and whether pouches will be distributed to the public free of cost?

THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Chief Executive Councillor, Delhi Administration has suggested use of such oxygen pouches as protection against the air pollution in Delhi. The Delhi Administration will decide on this issue after getting details from Japan.

Bills pending for President's assent

3601. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bills passed by the State Assemblies have been pending with the Central Government for the President's assent;